**BEFORE** 

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 90-316-W - ORDER NO. 90-1201

DECEMBER 20, 1990

| ΙN | RE: | Application of AAA Utilities, Inc.       | ) |                 |
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|    |     | Requesting Approval of the Transfer of   | ) | ORDER           |
|    |     | Perry Water System, Saluda County to     | ) | GRANTING        |
|    |     | AAA Utilities, Inc. and for the Approval | ) | PETITION FOR    |
|    |     | of Rates and Charges                     | ) | REHEARING AND   |
|    |     | •  | ) | RECONSIDERATION |

This matter comes before the Pubic Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by way of a Petition for Rehearing and Reconsideration of Order No. 90-1011 issued in the above-referenced matter. The Petition was filed on behalf of Steven W. Hamm, Consumer Advocate for the State of South Carolina (the Consumer Advocate) who had intervened in this docket.

On October 29, 1990, the Commission issued Order No. 90-1011 in the instant docket which, inter alia, approved the transfer of the Perry Water System to AAA Utilities, Inc., as well as certain rates and charges, including a reconnection fee of \$150. The monthly rates and charges approved in Order No. 90-1011 were based on certain testimony concerning the cost to upgrade the Perry Water System. The Petition for Rehearing and Reconsideration filed by the Consumer Advocate alleges error on the part of the Commission in approving rates based on certain testimony which alleged that it would cost approximately \$35,000 to perform the

upgrades and alleged error on the part of the Commission in approving the \$150 reconnection fee.

The Commission has determined that this matter should be reheard on the issues of the cost to upgrade the system and the proper charge for the reconnect fee. The Commission will notify the parties of the date for rehearing. The purpose of the rehearing will be limited in nature. Only testimony concerning the issues of the cost to upgrade the system and its relationship to the proper rates and charges and information concerning the appropriate charge for the reconnect fee will be considered by the Commission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Marjorie amos-Grazies
Chairman

ATTEST:

Deputy Executive Director

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